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REMARKS

The amendments to the specification are presented above to make editorial changes that correct the specification. The amendment to the claim is presented above to place the now amended portion of the claim, which had not actually been amended throughout the prosecution, in its originally filed state.

The specification on page 3 now has the heading entitled "<u>PRESENTATION OF THE INVENTION</u>" at the proper place in the text. Also, the specification on page 6 now correctly states that " $r = log_2S = 2$ " since S=4.

Claim 1 now correctly recites that "number p of bits where $p = q + log_2S$ " as it originally stated at filing. The inadvertent error in the transcription of the claim in the Response to the Ex Parte Quayle on December 1, 2005 is now corrected.

The amendments presented above are warranted and proper. They introduce no new matter. Further, these amendments merely embody the correction of formal matters without changing the scope of the claims and therefore require no substantial amount of additional work on the part of the Office.

CONCLUSION

In view of the amendments and the remarks above, Assignee submits that this application is still in condition for allowance. Entry of this amendment while continuing to pass this application to issue is respectfully solicited.

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If, however, the Examiner believes that there are any unresolved issues requiring adverse action in any of the claims now pending in the application, it is requested that the Examiner telephone Gregory C. Ranieri, Esq. at (503) 439-6500 so that appropriate arrangements can be made for resolving such issues as expeditiously as possible.

Respectfully submitted.

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